



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held October 8, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

"CARICABELA is a multicultural organization, representing the nearly one-half million Los Angeles residents from the countries of the Caribbean Basin. The Caribbean Basin is estimated to be the world's largest market for American services exports. The Caribbean community as a whole is estimated to have one of the highest per capita raise of college-educated professionals represented in the medical, educational, cultural and entertainment fields.

"The United States Department of Commerce has established the Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI) through the Andean and Caribbean Division of the International Trade Administration to increase import/export trade between the United States and the Caribbean Basin.

"From October 10 through 19, 2003, CARICABELA is working in conjunction with the City of Los Angeles Office of Minority Businesses Opportunities Committee (MBOC) to present the Caribbean Business and Community Expo, Caribbean Visions Awards, Los Angeles Carnival Youth on Parade at Audubon Middle School, the Caribbean-Latin Folk and Heritage Festival, and the 6th Los Angeles Carnival. These events are being presented to promote cross-cultural understanding, economic self-sufficiency, and to celebrate the dreams and aspiration of the Caribbean people."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried, the Board proclaimed October 10 through 19, 2003 as "Los Angeles Caribbean Week" throughout Los Angeles County. In addition, the Board encouraged all residents to participate in the CARICABELA festivities.

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